



May 18, 2021

Honourable Maryam Monsef
Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development
180 Kent Street, Suite 1100
Ottawa, Ontario
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Honourable Laurie Scott
Minister of Infrastructure
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
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Dear Ministers:

We are writing to you today, as heads of our local councils, to express our strong support for EORN's Gig Project. We stand together with the Chairs of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, the Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus, and the Eastern Ontario Regional Broadband Network in their efforts to urge you to get behind the Project.

The Gig Project is the right one for eastern Ontario. It ensures that homes, businesses, schools, medical offices, and other institutions as well as seasonal properties get connected through fibre optic cable - the best technology for today and the future. EORN studies highlight the economic benefits that would come our way with its Gig Project. Job creation, additional employment income, more innovation, reduced health care costs among other things add up to a winning solution for the people of eastern Ontario.

The EORN model works. Over the years, we've seen EORN successfully get more private sector investment than anticipated in its public private partnership projects. EORN is efficient, cost effective and nimble. You know you can rely on its professionals to get the job done.

We appreciate the leadership you have both shown by securing historic levels of funding for building out broadband infrastructure. You have made this critical infrastructure a priority for

both Canada and Ontario by together earmarking \$7 billion for broadband. EORN's ask is just 5.7 per cent of that available funding. We need you now to take the next step and help us secure ultra high-speed internet access and services for the individuals, families and businesses that have made our municipalities their home.

Funding the Gig Project will be a game changer and a legacy of which you will be proud. Let EORN do the work for you.

Yours truly,

Frontenac County Member Municipalities Heads of Council



Ron Higgins, Mayor
Mayor North Frontenac Township



Denis Doyle, Mayor Frontenac Islands
Township



Ron Vandewal, Warden of Frontenac County
and Mayor of South Frontenac



Frances Smith, Mayor
Central Frontenac

Haliburton County Member Municipalities Heads of Council



Liz Danielsen, Warden of Haliburton County and
Deputy Mayor of the Township of Algonquin Highlands



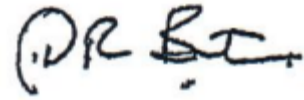
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Township of Minden Hills



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Hastings County Member Municipalities Heads of Council

The undersigned whole heartedly support and lend our signature to the attached letter



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County and Reeve of Tyendinaga
Township



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Town of Bancroft



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Town of Deseronto



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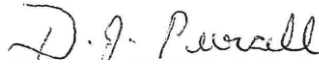
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Township of Stirling-Rawdon



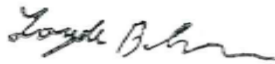
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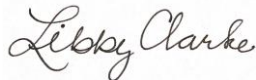
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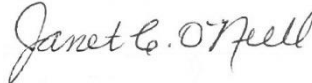
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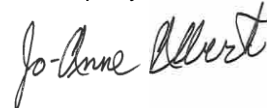
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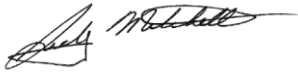


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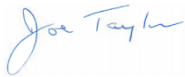
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Peterborough County Deputy Warden



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Warden and Members of Council of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell
(In Support of the EORN Gig Project-May 2021)

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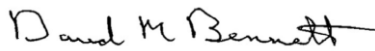
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Township of Brudenell,
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Town of Arnprior



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Town of Renfrew



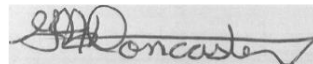
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Township of Head, Clara & Maria



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Town of Deep river



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Town of Renfrew



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Town of Deep River



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Township of Laurentian
Valley

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United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and Mayor of South Glengarry



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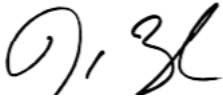
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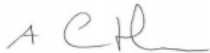
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Town of Smiths Falls

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